

PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION

The Administrator, Division of Environmental Protection, Carson City, Nevada is issuing the following notice of proposed action under the Nevada Revised Statutes and the Clean Water Act. The Administrator has received a complete application for groundwater discharge permit NEV2004504 from the following applicant:

**Carico Farms Inc.
P. O. Box 18160
Reno, Nevada 89511**

The Applicant proposes to land apply domestic septage and grease trap material to six-hundred-forty (640) acres of nutrient deficient agricultural land at the Carico Farms Inc. Lovelock Ranch Organic Reuse Facility, located at 7000 South Meridian Road, Lovelock, Pershing County, Nevada. Domestic septage and grease trap material must be incorporated into the soil within six hours of land application. The Applicant will be authorized to store a maximum of 40,000 gallons of domestic septage and grease trap material on-site in two 20,000-gallon, steel, above ground storage tanks. The provider of the domestic septage and grease trap material is Waters Vacuum Truck Service, Inc.

The Division has made the tentative determination to issue the groundwater discharge permit for a period of five (5) years, subject to certain limitations.

Persons wishing to comment upon or object to the proposed determinations by the Administrator regarding permit issuance, or request a hearing pursuant to the Nevada Administrative Code, Water Pollution Control, should submit their comments or request, in writing, within thirty (30) days of the date of newspaper publication, hand-delivered or postmarked no later than **5:00 P.M. on July 26, 2004**, either in person or by mail to:

**Department of Conservation and Natural Resources
Division of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Water Pollution Control
333 West Nye Lane
Carson City, Nevada 89706-0851**

Comments and/or hearing requests received via facsimile or e-mail before **5:00 P.M. July 26, 2004** will also be accepted. All requests for hearings must indicate the interest of the person filing the request and the reason(s) why a hearing is warranted. All comments or objections received within the thirty (30) day comment period will be considered in the formulation of final determinations regarding the application. If written comments indicate a significant degree of public interest in the proposed permit, the Administrator shall hold a public hearing. The public notice of such hearings will be issued not less than thirty (30) days prior to the public hearing date.

If no hearing is held and the determinations of the Administrator are substantially changed from the tentative determinations, the Administrator will give public notice of the revised determinations. Additional comments and objections will be considered at that time.

The application, proposed permit, comments received, and other information are on file and may be copied or copies may be obtained by writing to the above address or by contacting Janine Hartley, Bureau of Water Pollution Control at (775) 687-9458, or at jhartley@ndep.nv.gov. This Notice and the Fact Sheet are available on the NDEP website at www.ndep.nv.gov/admin/public.htm. The office facsimile number is (775) 687-4684.